

PATENT APPLICATION

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In re the Application of

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For: PLATE MEMBER, SUBSTRATE HOLDING DEVICE, EXPOSURE APPARATUS
AND METHOD, AND DEVICE MANUFACTURING METHOD

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Please consider the following:

Amendments to the Specification;

Amendments to the Claims as reflected in the listing of claims; and

Remarks.